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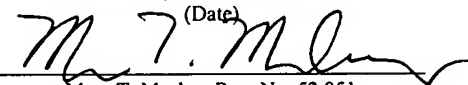
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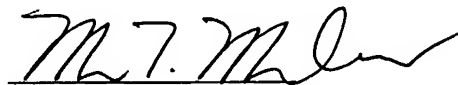
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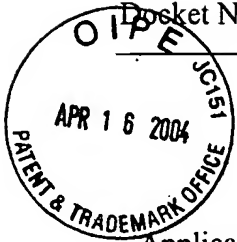
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- (X) A Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement.
- (X) A PTO Form 1449 listing three references, two of which are enclosed. Two of the documents were cited in the International Search Report of corresponding PCT Application No. PCT/US03/27706 (Date of mailing of ISR: March 31, 2004).
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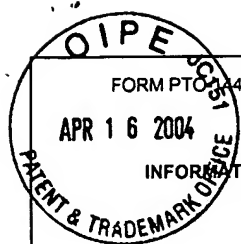
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	3	International Search Report re International Appln. No. PCT/US03/27706; International Filing Date: 09/05/03. Applicant: MannKind Corporation; Date of Mailing of ISR: March 31, 2004.					

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